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Syndrome Coronavirus

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION **MAILED FEBRUARY 11, 2009**

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Dear Examiner Blumel:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed February 11, 2009. The Applicants believe this response is filed in a timely manner such that no Extensions of Time are required. A Request For Continued Examination is attached hereto.

A listing of the claims begin on page 2 of this communication in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121.